



# There's an App for That!

Raise your hand if you got a device as a gift that you worry might be smarter than you such as an iPad, iPhone, or any smart phone. I thought so. (I can't help but wonder – is the autistic brain better wired for the new technology? But that's for a later discussion...) If you're like me, you stared at your or your child's device and wondered, "So what exactly am I supposed to load on this thing?" Now, the NFL app may be the greatest app ever developed, but that's just my personal opinion, which isn't very helpful to you. But there are apps out there that can help with communication, organizational support, social skills, emotion recognition, and creativity (never underestimate how much creativity might be lurking beneath your child's surface). And what's even better – it's the SAME technology that everyone else is using.

**abc PocketPhonics: letter sounds and writing + first words** by Apps in My Pocket, LLC  
Uses animated graphics, sound and touch to teach children letter sounds, how to write letters, and how to blend sounds.  
\$1.99

**Angry Octopus** by Red Piston  
Sea child shows Octopus how to take a deep breath, calm down, and manage his anger.  
\$7.99

**ArtikPix Full** by Rinn Apps  
Flashcard and matching activities for children with speech sound delays.  
\$29.99

**Assistive Chat** by Assistive Apps  
Allows users to communicate at the fastest rate possible, with natural sounding voices.  
\$24.99

**Autism Colors** by ZBobbsApps.com  
Uses Discrete Trial Training (DTT) to help children learn the basic colors.  
\$19.99

**Autism News Reader** by Splaysoft, LLC  
Grabs the top stories from autism health news and information sites and delivers them to your iPhone.  
\$0.99

**Autism Timer** by Rouge41  
A digital timer that shows the elapsed time.  
\$2.99

**AutismTrack™** by HandHold Adaptive, LLC  
A portable, customizable data tracking tool for interventions, behaviors, and symptoms. Checkboxes allow daily recording of any therapy, medicine, or diet.  
\$49.99

**AutismXpress** by StudioEmotion Pty Ltd  
Encourages people to recognize and express their emotions.  
Free

**Chore Pad HD** by Nannek  
Weekly chore chart that highlights the current day, and tracks star and checkmark totals.  
\$4.99

**Dragon Dictation** by Nuance Communications  
Voice recognition application that allows you to speak and instantly see your text or email messages, and dictate status updates directly to your Social Networking applications.  
Free

**Evernote** by Evernote  
Helps you remember everything from notes, to ideas, to snapshots, and recordings.  
Free

**Faces iMake** by iImagine Machine  
Choose from everyday objects to create a face.  
Lite - Free  
Premium - \$1.99

**First-Then Visual Schedule** by Good Karma Applications  
Uses images that show daily events or steps needed to complete a specific activity.  
\$9.99

**FirstWords: Animals** by Learning Touch  
Helps children build an understanding of the relationships between letters and words.  
\$1.99

**Grace** by Steven Troughton-Smith  
A simple picture exchange system allowing the user to communicate by building sentences from relevant images.  
\$37.99

**Hidden Curriculum for Kids** by Autism Asperger Publishing Company (AAPC)  
Real-life based entries spur conversations about "unwritten social rules" we encounter every day that can cause confusion and anxiety.  
\$1.99

**iAllowance Pro** by Jump Gap Software  
Manage your child's finances and teach him or her about saving and spending money.  
\$0.99

**iBiomed** by MyRoster, LLC  
Tracks all the components of a typical biomedical treatment program.  
Free

**iComm** by Bappz  
Provides an affordable, custom built and easy to use communication system using pictures and words - both written and spoken.  
Free

**iCommunicate** by Grembe, Inc.  
Create pictures, storyboards, customized audio, flashcards, and visual prompts.  
\$49.99

**IEP Checklist** by Nurvee, LLC  
A tool for parents and teachers to consider as they develop the IEP.  
Free

**iPrompts®** by HandHold Adaptive, LLC  
Visual prompting templates (no audio prompts or voice output).  
\$49.99

**iReward** by Grembe, Inc.  
Choose the behavior you are trying to reinforce, choose your reward, and track the progress.  
\$4.99

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## **iWriteWords** by GDI Plus

Teaches your child how to write in an easy and fun way.

\$2.99

## **Jungle Coins** by Andrew Short

Aimed at kids ages 5 and up, teaches kids coin math in a visual way.

\$2.99

## **LEGO® Creationary** by The LEGO® Group

Guess the object being built with the animated LEGO® bricks.

Free

## **Look2Learn** by MDR, Inc.

Uses photographs and preloaded vocal output to allow person to express wants and needs.

\$24.99

## **Look in My Eyes** by FizzBrain

Rewards players for quickly focusing in on a person's eyes.

\$2.99

## **MathBoard** by Palaware

Teaches simple addition and subtraction to multiplication and division.

\$3.99

## **Model Me Going Places** by Model Me Kids, LLC

A visual teaching tool for helping your child learn to navigate challenging locations in the community.

Free

## **My Choice Board** by Good Karma

Applications

Images are selected based on preference of the user and displayed on the choice board.

\$9.99

## **MyTalkTools Mobile** by 2nd Half

Enterprises, LLC

Customize how you communicate through a variety of images, pictures, symbols, and audio files including human voice.

\$39.99

## **NLConcepts Autism: Sort and Categorize**

by Natural Learning Concepts

Wait for a picture card to appear and then touch the appropriate category to which it belongs.

Free

## **Pictello** by AssistiveWare

Offers a simple way to create talking photo albums and talking books.

\$14.99

## **Proloquo2go™** by AssistiveWare

Provides a full-featured communication solution for people who have difficulty speaking.

\$189.99

## **Receptive Identification** by

kindergarten.com

Teaches a child to talk about things rather than just labeling them using an ABA approach.

\$0.99 per app

## **Scene Builder** by FizzBrain

Gives children a chance to practice creative and imaginary play instead of just trying to beat the next level.

\$0.99 each app

## **Smarty Ears** by Smarty Ears, LLC

All of the apps on this site were developed by an ASHA Certified Speech Pathologist to help parents and speech therapists improve communication skills.

Prices vary by app

## **Social Skills** by MDR, Inc.

Offers parents and educators the ability to interact with 12 social narratives designed to help individuals improve their social ability.

\$6.99

## **Speak It! Text to Speech** by Future Apps, Inc.

Copy emails, documents, web pages, PDF files, and more; paste them into Speak it!, and have the text spoken back to you.

\$1.99

## **Stories2Learn** by MDR, Inc.

Offers parents and educators the ability to create personalized stories using photos, text, and audio messages.

\$13.99

## **StoryBuddy** by John Cotant

Create and read stories with multi-touch on the iPad. Draw directly on the iPad's screen with your finger and create a picture book.

\$2.99

## **Story Patch** by Haywood Soft, LLC

Create picture books with hundreds of included images, easy-to-use controls, the ability to import photos, and the option to use pre-set themes.

\$4.99

## **TapSpeak Button for iPad** by TapSpeak, LLC

Facilitates learning cause and effect relationships.

\$9.99

## **TapSpeak Choice for iPad** by TapSpeak, LLC

Create sets of message grids from a child's vocabulary.

\$99.99

## **TapSpeak Sequence for iPad** by TapSpeak, LLC

Offers sequential recording and playback of songs, stories, nursery rhymes, and other messages.

\$29.99

## **Tap to Talk** by Assistxy LLC

Customize what your child sees and hears on a web site then when you're done designing, "publish" your albums to your device.

\$99.95/year

## **Temple Grandin** by the Autism Research Institute

Retrieves information, such as Dr. Grandin's articles, speaking appearances, and information on how to order her books.

Free

## **Time Timer** by Time Timer, LLC

Set the Time Timer to the length of your activity and as time elapses, the red-disk gradually gets smaller.

\$4.99

## **Toy Story Read-Along** by Disney Publishing Worldwide

Hear the story read aloud, record your own narration, or explore at your own pace.

Free

## **Virtuoso Piano Free 2 HD** by Peterb

The perfect free piano to learn the basics of music or just having fun.

Free

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